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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Eugene J. Alexander, Thomas P. Andriacchi, Philipp Lang, and Daniel Steines

Application No.: 09/662,224

Group No.: 3737

Filed: 09/14/2000

Examiner: William C. Jung

For: Assessing the Condition of a Joint and Devising Treatment

Mail Stop Amendment

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a Supplemental Amendment for this application.

Also enclosed is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, including one attached reference (AE).

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity. A statement was already filed.

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3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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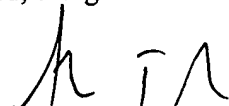
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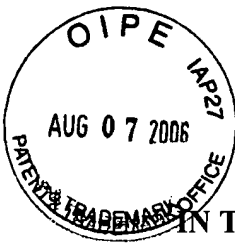
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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Further to the interview held July 19, 2006, Applicants amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 45 of this paper.